



PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

Takahiro NIWA et al.

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For: HYDRAULIC SHOCK ABSORBER

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Examiner: D. C. Butler

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

I. INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated April 14, 2004, the period for response being extended to August 14, 2004, by the Petition for Extension of Time filed herewith, please amend the above-identified application as set forth below.

Claims 1-3 are pending in the application. By this Amendment, claim 1 is amended.

II. AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS

(There are no amendments to the drawings)

III. AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

(There are no amendments to the specification)